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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2004, for one month from August 19, 2004, to September 19, 2004.

A check in the amount of \$110.00 is attached hereto to cover the cost of the extension. Please charge any additional required fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 111833.

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